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Amendments To The Claims:

1. (Original) A system for emergency communication for high-risk residents comprising:

a base unit;

a plain old telephone service "POTS" telephone handset connected to said base unit;

a telephone keypad connected to said base unit;

telephone circuitry operable to establish two way telephone service over a twisted pair of POTS wiring;

telephone circuitry within said base unit operable to establish two way wireless telephone service; and

control electronics connected to said base unit for selectively switching between said POTS service and said wireless telephone service.

2. (Original) A system for emergency communication for high-risk residents as defined in claim 1 and further comprising:

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a speaker telephone connected to said base; and

circuitry within said control electronics to activate said speaker telephone system.

3. (currently amended) A system for emergency communication for high-risk residents as defined in claim 2 wherein:

said activation circuitry includes circuitry to activate said speaker telephone system by voice commands.

4. (Original) A system for emergency communication for high-risk residents as defined in claim 1 and further comprising:

digital recording and voice recognition circuitry connected to said control electronics operable to activate said emergency communication system from a location remote from said base unit.

5. (Original) A system for emergency communication for high-risk residents as defined in claim 1 and further comprising:

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a distress button connected to said base unit and being operable to connect to an emergency service via a wireless telephone service upon depressing the distress button.

6. (Original) A system for emergency communication for high-risk residents as defined in claim 1 and further comprising:

a level sensor circuit connected to said base unit operable to detect a condition of the base unit being disposed in a non-horizontal condition ; and circuitry operable to contact an emergency service in the event the base unit is in a non-horizontal condition.

7. (Original) A system for emergency communication for high-risk residents as defined in claim 1 and further comprising:

circuitry operable to detect a dead line condition of said handset; and circuitry to initiate a telephone call to an emergency service to alert the service of the dead line condition.

8. (currently amended) A system for emergency communication for high-risk residents as defined in claim 7 and further comprising:

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circuitry to initiate wireless voice communication with a resident by an emergency service in the event an off-hook ~~off-hook~~ condition is detected.

9. (Original) A method for establishing emergency communication for high risk residents comprising the steps of:

providing a plain old telephone service("POTS") into a residence;

providing a wireless telephone service into the residence associated with said POTS service; and

in the event of a dead line condition of said POTS service establishing a wireless telephone signal to an emergency service alerting the emergency service of the dead line condition of the POTS service.

10. (Original) A method for establishing emergency communication for high risk residents comprising the steps of:

providing a plain old telephone service("POTS") into a residence with a base unit;

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**providing a wireless telephone service into the residence associated with said
POTS service and through said base unit;**

detecting the level condition of said base unit; and

**in the event that the base unit is determined to be not level contacting an
emergency service via said wireless telephone service.**